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### **Americans for the Arts Announces \$120 Million Gift from Ruth Lilly**

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Robert L. Lynch, President and CEO of Americans for the Arts, the leading nonprofit organization for advancing the arts in America,

In a letter to members of Americans for the Arts, Bob Lynch expresses his deep gratitude to Ms. Lilly and describes the careful process that the organization has undertaken to ensure the proper management and use of the funds, which will “benefit the arts throughout the country and ... create more opportunities for every American to participate in and appreciate the arts.”

*Americans for the Arts is the leading nonprofit organization for advancing the arts and arts education in America. With offices in Washington, D.C. and New York City, it has a record of more than 50 years of service. Americans for the Arts is dedicated to representing and serving local communities and creating opportunities for every American to participate in and appreciate all forms of the arts. Additional information is available at [www.AmericansForTheArts.org](http://www.AmericansForTheArts.org).*

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